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Idaho Real Estate Commission

Management Report on Internal Control

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY LEGISLATIVE AUDITS

IDAHO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

PURPOSE AND SCOPE. In planning and making our audit of the statewide basic financial statements, we performed certain audit procedures to evaluate the effectiveness of the Idaho Real Estate Commission's internal control design and operation. Consequently, the limited scope of our procedures does not allow us to give an opinion on the Commission's internal control system. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or ensure that all instances of internal control weaknesses were disclosed.

Our purpose was to indicate where internal controls could be strengthened to help ensure accurate financial statements and data. This evaluation, together with other evaluations and various audit procedures applied at other agencies, allows us to express an opinion on the statewide basic financial statements prepared by the State Controller \triangleleft Office.

CONCLUSION. We noted no matters involving the internal control over the Commission's financial reporting or its operation that we considered to be material weaknesses. However, our consideration of internal controls would not necessarily disclose all matters considered to be a material weakness.

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. There are no findings and recommendations in this report, nor were there any findings and recommendations in the prior report.

AGENCY RESPONSE. The Commission has reviewed the report and is in general agreement with its contents.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY. The Commission is funded primarily from licensing fees paid by Idaho real estate professionals. There are no State General Funds appropriated to the Commission. Although an opinion is not given on the financial data presented in this report, one is given on all State funds in the statewide *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* that includes the financial data presented here.

IDAHO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION - FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Regulatory Fund	Fiscal Y 2002		al Year 003	Fiscal Year 2004			
Beginning Balance	\$87	4,999 \$1	,056,015	\$1,464,810			
Receipts Licenses	75	9,476 1	,078,780	915,393			
Examination and Regulatory Fees	105,129		111,551	112,284			
Fines	82,640		79,535	169,628			
Other	278,237		83,466	39,581			
Total Available	\$2,100,481 \$2		,409,347	\$2,701,696			
Disbursements	5 0	0.005	502.214	610.640			
Personnel Costs	599,085		592,214	619,649			
Operating Expenses	439,298		335,788	359,419			
Capital Outlay Total Disbursements	6,083 \$1,044,466		16,535 \$944,537	5,231 \$984,299			
Total Disoursements	<u> </u>	4,400	p)44,557	\$704,277			
Ending Balance	\$1,05	6,015 \$1	,464,810	\$1,717,397			
Fiscal Year 2002							
			Transfers	Ending			
Fund	Beginning	Receipts	Out	Cash Balance			
0349 Miscellaneous Revenue Fund	\$8,602	\$33,456	\$27,658	\$14,400			
0517 Real Estate Recovery Fund	20,000	0	0	20,000			
	Fiscal Year 200	<u>3</u>					
			Transfers	Ending			
Fund	Beginning Cash	Receipts	Out	Cash Balance			
0349 Miscellaneous Revenue Fund	\$14,400	\$32,572	\$37,128	\$9,844			
0517 Real Estate Recovery Fund	20,000	0	0	20,000			

Fiscal Year 2004

				Transfers	Ending
F	und	Beginning Cash	Receipts	Out	Cash Balance
0.	349 Miscellaneous Revenue Fund	\$9,844	\$59,296	\$58,358	\$10,782
0:	517 Real Estate Recovery Fund	20.000	0	0	20.000

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. The Commission's Miscellaneous Revenue Fund is used to collect fingerprinting fees that are later transferred to the Idaho State Police. The fund balance is due to the timing difference between when the fees are collected and when the billings are received from the Idaho State Police. The Commission's Real Estate Recovery Fund is used solely for the purpose of satisfying claims brought against licensees. This fund retains a balance of \$20,000, in accordance with Idaho Code, Section 54-2069. There were no receipts or disbursements in this fund in fiscal years 2002, 2003, or 2004.

OTHER ISSUES. We discussed other, less important issues which, if changed, would improve internal control, ensure compliance, or improve efficiency.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Idaho Real Estate Commission and the Idaho Legislature and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance given to us by the executive director, Donna Jones, and her staff.

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